

# From the Mailbox

By Our Readers.

## Wants Tree Names

Editor, Torrance Herald:

May I take the privilege of making a suggestion to your newspaper about some particular reporting? Right now the article about Arbor Day and National Tree Planting Week have brought it quite strongly to my attention.

In the majority of write-ups and pictures of these tree-planting ceremonies, no mention is made of the type of tree being planted. I think it would be of much benefit to your readers if a special point could be made to include the popular, even if not the botanical name.

Having recently participated in a neighborhood tree plant-

ing project, I found out quite definitely that few local people know what trees will do well in our local area. Many persons are from the East and are acquainted with trees that cannot be grown satisfactorily here.

Would it not help most of the new home owners to see the trees recommended by the park department and nursery-men specified by name?

Thank you for your consideration of this matter.  
MRS. GEORGE J. SHAW  
24014 Janet Lane

## Summer Vacations

Editor, Torrance Herald  
I am a student in Fern Ave. School. Summer vacation is

coming and people say we should only get three weeks instead of three months for summer vacation.

We go to school nine months and those nine months aren't very pleasant. But when a holiday comes, that is one of the best days of our lives. If we only had three weeks for summer vacation, we wouldn't get to go to the beach or go on a nice trip without parents without thinking in just a few more days we have to go back to school.

LINDA SPROUT  
1327 Beech Ave.

## Immortality To Be Topic

South Bay Church of Religious Science will hold a special Easter service today at 11 a.m. in the Woman's Club House on 17th Street Hermosa Beach.

The Junior Church will join the Adult Church in a special candlelighting service and Rev.

## First Aid Class To Begin April 7

A standard first aid class will be held in the Flavian Elementary School cafeteria beginning Tuesday, April 7, from 7 to 9:30 p.m. for a period of five weeks. Flavian School is located at 5038 Halson Street (West of Hawthorne between Del Amo Blvd. and 191st St.)

Part of the Torrance Adult Education program, the course will be given in cooperation with the American Red Cross which will issue Standard First Aid certificates upon completion. Adults 18 years or older may register at the first class.

Ted Romersa will deliver a sermon entitled "You Are Immortal Now."

Mid-week service will be held in the Religious Science Centre at 87 West 14th St. Thursday, at 7:30 p.m.

## Torrance to Compete in First 'Miss America' Preliminaries

Under sponsorship of the Torrance Junior Chamber of Commerce, Torrance will participate this year for the first time in the Miss America Pageant.

Deadline on applications, obtainable at the Chamber office, 1345 El Prado, is April 20 at 4:30 p.m.

Miss Torrance will be selected at this city's first annual Miss America Preliminary to be held at the Civic Auditorium at 7:30 p.m. May 6. In addition to the contest, the preliminary will feature entertainment emceed by a Hollywood personality. Tickets will be sold at \$1 apiece at the chamber office.

Winner of the preliminary will be sent on an expense-paid trip to Santa Cruz to participate in the Miss California

Contest in June, where she will compete for the opportunity to be sent to Atlantic City, N. J., for the Miss America finals.

TO QUALIFY for entrance in the pageant, the prospective candidate must be 18 years of age prior to Sept. 1, 1959, and not over the age of 28. She must be single, a resident of Torrance, beautiful, and must possess a talent.

Preliminary pageant committee members include: Ted Hill, executive director; Bob Vroman, assistant director; George Gillium, staging; Carl Fisher, advertising and promotion; and the Torrance Jay-Cettes, who will handle the entries, screening, hostessing and judging committees.

## Health Officer Claims Worms Aren't as Bad as You'd Believe

By ROY O. GILBERT, M.D., County Health Officer

At certain times of the year some bottom-feeding, scavenger fish, including flounder, cod, halibut and the like, are often infected with larval forms of various species of roundworms when caught in the warm ocean waters adjacent to California, although a catch of similar fish from colder waters would be worm-free. Unsanitary though they may be, it is current medical opinion that the worms found in these fish are completely harmless to man.

In Los Angeles County, fish are inspected for freshness and wholesomeness by representatives of the various health agencies. Inasmuch as detection of the worms would require considerable destruction of fish tissue and render the product unsalable, such an examination is thought to be impractical.

These worms are tiny and almost colorless. They bury themselves in the muscles of the fish and generally go undiscovered until such time as slices of the fish are heated to the point where the worms are driven to the outside of the meat. This fact, to their great annoyance, a number of Los Angeles housewives have discovered for themselves.

The fish tapeworm is the only worm that may be acquired by man through the eating of fish. Generally, larger fish are the source of this infection, although crustaceans (lobster, crabs, shrimp) and smaller fish may contain the worm larva. Fortunately, fish and crustaceans so infected do not inhabit the ocean waters of this area. The tapeworm infection is prevalent in fish of the Baltic Sea and nearby waters, however, and some have also been found in other waters of the world, including the Great Lakes.

Nearly 10 years ago, the occurrence of tapeworm was reported among some Jewish housewives in New York City. Food inspectors traced the source of infection and found that it was acquired during the preparation of gefilte fish which the women were accustomed to taste raw during the process of seasoning. Further investigation disclosed that the fish (carp) came from the Great Lakes. About the same time, a report from Finland disclosed that 10 to 15 per cent of the raw-fish-eating Finnish people were infected with the fish tapeworm.

To be on the safe side, health authorities generally advise the thorough cooking or processing of all fish that is eaten. It is pointed out, however, that worm-infested fish from a local catch would not cause any illness or worm infestation in people even if eaten raw.

Medical authorities state that in nutritive properties there is little difference between the protein value of the muscle of fish and that of meat. In other words, according to this, fish is meat although it is not ordinarily so regarded. In addition, fish are excellent sources of vitamins A and D and supply various mineral elements as well. Moreover, they are most palatable and make a welcome change in the diet.

## Public Notice

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NOTICE TO BIDDERS  
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that sealed proposals will be received in the office of the City Clerk, City Hall, Torrance, California, until 5 p.m., on Tuesday, April 7, 1959, and will be formally opened and read at 10:00 a.m., Wednesday, April 8, 1959, for furnishing the following equipment and services:  
Item 1: Furnish and install one (1) electrical panel including all necessary circuit breakers, magnetic motor starters, hand-off-automatic switches and indicator lights to handle three 50 H.P., 400 volt, 60 cycle, booster pumps.  
Item 2: Furnish and install one wall mounted electrical control panel to supplement item 1 above which will control above three (3) 50 H.P. booster pumps through suitable float, pressure and time delay switches. Control shall be a 4472, Healy-Ruff, Type A, 3 Pump Rotator or approved equal.  
Item 3: Furnish and install one electrical panel including all necessary circuit breakers, magnetic motor starters, hand-off-automatic switches, and indicator lights to handle hydropneumatic pump system consisting of one 20 H.P. booster pump with one 60 H.P. standby fire pump and one (1) 3 H.P. compressor. Panel shall contain both power and switch sections insulated electrically and shall be weatherproof in a NEMA III steel housing with locking handle. Power section shall conform to NEMA and the California Electrical Code requirements. All electrical components shall be Westinghouse, Square D, or approved equal.  
Item 4: Furnish and install one floor mounted electrical control panel to supplement item 3 above which will control above hydro-pneumatic tank system with its 20 H.P., 60 H.P., and 3 H.P. motors to maintain a constant pressure of 100 p.s.i. through suitable pressure, level control and time delay switches. Control shall be a 4472, Healy-Ruff Model Healy-Ruff PW 2 pump Rotator or approved equal. Housing shall be weatherproof with locking handle.  
Bids shall include all necessary material and labor to make electrical connections from the tank, pressure switches and pipelines as indicated. Each item may be bid separately if specified.  
Detailed specifications may be obtained at the office of the Water Superintendent, 1510 Craven Avenue, Torrance, California. This notice is given pursuant to order of the City Council and the right to reject any or all bids is reserved.  
Dated this 27th day of March, 1959, at Torrance, California.  
E. M. Vician  
Water Superintendent  
Torrance, California  
ST. March 29, 1959, and April 2, 1959.

## Writers Hear Russian Novelist

Russian-born novelist Maria Melova told how she risked death to smuggle notes for her novel "Black Bread and Caviar" out of Stalinist Russia in 1932 in a talk before Southwest Manuscripts Friday, March 20, at Clark Stadium, 861 Valley Drive, Hermosa Beach. The book, recently published after more than 15 years of research and writing, is based on experiences of members of her own family during and after the Russian Revolution.

Titled "Writing the Historical Novel," the guest speaker's talks stressed the need for careful literary research to verify each historical fact "remembered" by persons who lived at the time.

Betty Rink, program chairman, presented the speaker.

Members announcing manuscript sales were Mark Clifton, Martha E. Lambert, Florence Hancher, Catherine Fitz Bolton, and Florence Harrison.

President Ralph Scholl announced that three members placed in recent Southern California Women's Press Club literary contest. They are Phoebe Thompson, first prize for adult short stories; Polly Booth, second prize for juvenile fiction, and Ramonita O'Connor, two third prizes for poetry and juvenile fiction.

Southwest Manuscripts is made up of both beginning and professional writers. Scholl said, and meets the third Friday of the month at Clark Stadium. Beryl Cook, secretary, will answer inquiries at FR 4-8826 or FR 2-2897.

## Scout Trails

### Brownie Troop 1506

Mrs. Donald King, leader of Brownie Troop 1506, attended her last function in that capacity recently, when the troop held a World Friendship program at Normandie Park. The troop, which is sponsored by the 223rd St. School P.T.A., will be divided into two troops under the leadership of Mrs. Joy Brown, Mrs. Lorene McDaniel, Mrs. Cammie Waring, and Mrs. Joyce Bergon.

Participating in the flag ceremony which opened the festivities were Christine Epperheiser, Elizabeth Holmes, Mary Olson, and Cheryl Smith.

Hawaiian dances were presented by the following members of Patrol 1: Carole Hamilton, Sharon Hamilton, Darlyn Deuschle, Mary Olson, Shirley Waring, Teresa Olvera, Donna King and Cheryl Smith.

APPEARING in a Japanese dance were Linda Alford, Janet Rapp, Christine Epperheiser, Priscilla Gutierrez, Diana Brown, Frances Taclay, Chandel Johnson and Sharon Perkins, members of Patrol 2.

Patrol 3 presented a Mexican dance. Brownies appearing in the number included: Donna White, Debra O'Brien, Brenda LeRoy, Shirley Taclay, Lynn Ann Thompson, Elizabeth Holmes, Sherry Pulley, and Karin Olson.

Four new members were welcomed into the troop: Belinda McDaniel, Valerie Bradshaw, Christina Bergon, and Kathy Bodella.

Following the awarding of world friendship pins and one-year pins, refreshments were served.

## BRaille SYSTEM FORMED

The braille system of raised dots for reading and for printed material was evolved by Louis Braille, a frail young Frenchman who was blind himself and who died at the age of 43, in 1852, according to the American Foundation for the Blind.

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A top combination value of finest quality products available in very newest decorative colors.  
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Three speed heating pad with cover which can be removed for washing. Fully guaranteed.  
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Fine same scales in latest colors to match your bathroom, accurate dial... fully guaranteed.  
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Reliable clock with quiet tick and loud alarm... in smart nickel or black trim.  
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Save 5.07 on this newest of automatic percolators, that can now be put in water.  
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Cotton Anklets Popular "Bonnie Weans" for infants, girls or ladies. Sizes 4 to 11... 4 pr. **1.00**  
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**Chiffon Facial Tissue**  
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**4 for 88c**

**Instant Coffee**  
Maxwell House or Nescafe... these fine name coffees on special... 6 oz. **89c**  
**Simoniz Wax**  
Quart can of non-suff vinyl floor wax for all surfaces... on special **79c**  
**Wax Applier**  
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